

preparing for the big picture of full-spectrum operations, according to Major John Frisbie, 1-94 FA training and operations officer in charge.

Troops battling insurgents, conducting combat patrols in residential neighborhoods and building hospitals all at the same time is considered full-spectrum operations, Frisbie explained.

Gearing the soldiers from low-intensity conflicts, where risks to forces are minimal, to high-intensity conflicts, where major forces with large number of people and equipment are used is a focus of the unit's multi-faceted training effort.

Although the focus of the live-fire event was crew qualification, the exercise encompassed the entire battalion, from the launcher crews, fire-direction center (FDC), ammunition handlers, and radar operations to battery and battalion leadership.

The launcher crew, which is comprised of three soldiers, a driver, usually a specialist, a gunner, a sergeant, and a section chief, usually a staff sergeant, are qualified by successfully performing three missions.

The scenarios – At My Command, When Ready and Time on Target – were the missions chosen for the event.

The first scenario, At My Command, is conducted by giving the crew a mission, which is received from the Fire Direction Center. The crew then moves to the fire point 'lays on target' and then waits to be specifically told to arm rockets and finally to fire.

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*(Below) Iron Soldiers of Battery A, 1-94 FA (MLRS), fire a rocket from one of 12, 227 mm rocket tubes on the unit's workhorse, the M270 Multiple Launch Rocket System.*

